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REMARKS

Please reconsider the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following

remarks.

Status of Claims

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-8 are pending in the present application. Claim 1 is herein amended.

Support for this amendment may be found on page 19, paragraph [0050] and in Fig. 2 of the

present specification. No new matter has been entered.

Examiner Interview

Applicant appreciates the courtesy extended by the examiner in the telephonic interview

on July 21, 2009. Claim 1 was discussed. More specifically, it was discussed that, in the claimed

invention, the identical output of the transmitter circuit part 22 is fed to first antenna and the

second antenna. That is, not only the information such as a data packet is identical, but also the

information is transmitted on same transmission signal such as a carrier frequency

simultaneously. That is, the identical information is transmitted at the same time at the same

frequency. Whereas, Arnold merely teaches time diversity technique, i.e., Arnold transmits same

information (data packet) at the different times, but on same frequencies such as A or B, and

frequency diversity technique, i.e., Arnold transmits same information (data packet) at the same

time, but on different frequencies such as A and B.

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Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §112

The Examiner has rejected claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to

comply with the written description requirement. Applicants respectfully submit that the

Examiner may be broadly construing the term "an identical signal" to mean that the signal is

exactly the same in every respect which may be hard to achieve in the Radio Frequency

environment and this would be understood by a person of ordinary skill in the art. However,

Applicant has amended claim 1 in accordance with Fig. 1 and at least the description provided in

paragraph [0050] of the present specification to further clarify and to overcome this rejection.

As to the Merits

As to the merits of this case, the Examiner sets forth the following rejections:

Claims 1, 3, 4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Arnold (US Patent

Application 2003/0224729 Arnold).

Claims 6-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arnold (US

Patent Application 2003/0224729) in view of **Stevens** (US Patent Application 2004/0014457).

Each of these rejections is respectfully traversed.

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Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102

Independent claim 1

In order to anticipate an invention under 35 U.S.C. §102, the prior art reference must not

only disclose all elements of the claim within four corners of the document, but must also

disclose those elements arranged as in the claim.

Claim 1, as amended, is drawn to ... wherein, in a connecting state where said first

transmitter and said second transmitter are connected, said first antenna and said second

antenna simultaneously transmit identical information on a same transmission signal, said same

transmission signal being a carrier signal.

For example, as noted in paragraph [0050] of the present specification, "[t]he transmitter

circuit part 22 obtains transmission data from the first transmitter 10, forms a transmission signal,

and outputs the transmission signal to the second antenna 21 provided in the second transmitter

20. At the same time, the transmitter circuit part 22 outputs the transmission signal to the first

antenna 11 provided in the first transmitter 10, and the same transmission signal is transmitted

from the second antenna 21 and the first antenna 11 simultaneously." (emphasis added).

On pages 3 and 4 of the Final Office Action, it is alleged that Arnold discloses "wherein,

in a connecting state where said first transmitter and said second transmitter are connected" (see

paragraph 43 and Fig. 5, Arnold discusses as controller 404 includes one output 412

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corresponding to a first transmit channel and another output 414 corresponding to a second

transmit channel) said first antenna and said second antenna simultaneously transmit said

identical information as an identical signal" (see paragraphs 8, 36, 40, 41, 43, 58 and Fig. 3-5,

transmitter arrangement 308 is configured to transmit identical data packets at two different RF

carrier frequencies. Antenna structure 310, which can be configured to enhance the quality of the

RF transmission, propagates the data packets over a wireless link 312)."

Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner is misunderstood the teachings of

Arnold. Specifically, Arnold, in Figs. 10 and 11, teaches a wireless data transmitter unit that

transmits identical copies of the data packet using (1) frequency diversity techniques and (2) time

diversity techniques respectively.

In Fig. 11, Arnold teaches a frequency diversity technique wherein a transmitter unit

that simultaneously transmits a first identical copy of the data packet using a first carrier

frequency (FREQ A), and a second identical copy of the data packet using a second carrier

frequency (FREQ B). In other words, Arnold transmits same information (data packet) at the

same time, but on different frequencies such as A and B (Fig. 11).

In Fig. 10, Arnold teaches a time diversity technique wherein the wireless data

transmitter unit transmits a first identical copy of the data packet 700 using a first carrier

frequency (labeled frequency A). After the wireless data transmitter unit transmits data packet

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700, it transmits a second identical copy of the data packet 702 using the first carrier

frequency. After the wireless data transmitter unit transmits data packet 702, it transmits a

third identical copy of the data packet 704 using a second carrier frequency (labeled

frequency B). After the wireless data transmitter unit transmits data packet 704, it transmits

data packet 706 using the second carrier frequency. In other words, Arnold transmits same

information (data packet) at the different times, but on same frequencies such as A or B (Fig.

10).

In contrast, as illustrated in Fig. 2 for example, the identical output of the transmitter

circuit part 22 is fed to first antenna and the second antenna. Therefore, the claimed invention is

completely different from Arnold because not only the information such as a data packet is

identical, but also the information is transmitted on same transmission signal such as a carrier

frequency simultaneously. That is, the identical information is transmitted at the same time

at the same frequency.

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that Arnold also does not disclose wherein, in a

connecting state where said first transmitter and said second transmitter are connected, said first

antenna and said second antenna simultaneously transmit identical information on a same

transmission signal ... in claim 1.

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As noted above, in order to anticipate an invention under 35 U.S.C. §102, the prior art

reference must not only disclose all elements of the claim within four corners of the document,

but must also disclose those elements arranged as in the claim.

Since Arnold does not disclose wherein, in a connecting state where said first transmitter

and said second transmitter are connected, said first antenna and said second antenna

simultaneously transmit identical information on a same transmission signal ... in claim 1,

Applicants submit that the rejection of claims 1, 3, 4 is improper and respectfully request that it

be withdrawn.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

Dependent claims 6-8 are patentable at least by virtue of their dependency on patentable

claim 1 since they incorporate the distinguishing feature of patentable claim 1.

Conclusion

The Claims have been shown to be allowable over the prior art. Applicants believe that

this paper is responsive to each and every ground of rejection cited in the Office Action dated

April 15, 2009, and respectfully request favorable action in this application. The Examiner is

invited to telephone the undersigned, applicants' attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of

the present application.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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